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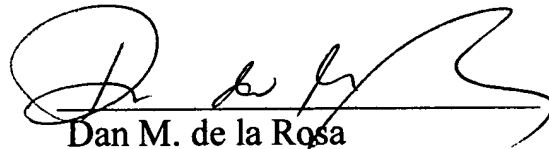
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Re: Fee Explanation

Dear Sir:

The Applicant previously submitted a check in the amount of \$97 to cover a terminal disclaimer (\$55) and a new independent claim (\$42). Based on conversations with Examiner Tucker, the proper fees should have totaled \$98 since the new independent claim requires a \$43 fee. Based on my records, the \$97 check was cashed by the USPTO. In view of this matter, the Applicant is submitting a check for \$1.00 and is resubmitting the terminal disclaimer.

Thank you for your assistance.

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